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August 07, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

33 August 7, 2012

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION
NONVEHICULAR TRAIL EASEMENT
ON IVERSON ROAD (PRIVATE STREET), ET AL.
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF CHATSWORTH
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action will allow the County of Los Angeles to vacate an easement for nonvehicular trail purposes on Iverson Road (Private Street) and other private streets within the Indian Falls/Springs Estate area in the unincorporated community of Chatsworth that is no longer needed for public use. The County initiated the vacation as part of the Santa Susana Pass Multi-Use Trail Improvement Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find that this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Find that the easement for nonvehicular trail purposes on Iverson Road (Private Street) and other private streets within the Indian Falls/Springs Estate area in the unincorporated community of Chatsworth has been superseded by relocation and determined to be excess and that it may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to Section 8333(c) of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- 3. Find that the easement for nonvehicular trail purposes on Iverson Road (Private Street) and other private streets within the Indian Falls/Springs Estate area in the unincorporated community of Chatsworth is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility as required by Section 892 of the

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California Streets and Highways Code.

- 4. Adopt the Resolution of Summary Vacation.
- 5. Upon approval, authorize the Director of Public Works to record the certified original resolution with the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow the County of Los Angeles (County) to vacate the easement for nonvehicular trail purposes (Easement) on Iverson Road (Private Street) and other private streets within the Indian Falls/Springs Estate area in the unincorporated community of Chatsworth, since it no longer serves the purpose for which it was dedicated and is not required for public use.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1). The vacation of the Easement will reduce the County's exposure to potential liability and will enhance the public's accessibility to and enjoyment of the new multi-use trail.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The vacation processing fee has been waived as this is a County-initiated action. The waiver of the fee was authorized by your Board in a resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321(f) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The area to be vacated contains approximately 9.25 acres and is shown on the map that is attached to the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation.

The California Streets and Highways Code Section 8333(c) provides that the legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate a public service easement if the easement has been superseded by relocation or determined to be excess by the easement holder and there are no other public facilities located within the easement.

The County's interest in the Easement was acquired by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, recorded on June 29, 1999, as Document No. 99-1189364, of Official Records, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles as an easement for nonvehicular trail purposes.

The vacation is the result of a trail relocation project. The Easement was found to be excess as a result of the relocation of the trail as part of the Santa Susana Pass Multi-Use Trail Improvement Project (C.P. 77489).

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Adoption of the enclosed resolution and the subsequent recordation will terminate the County's rights and interest in the Easement. Your action will result in the property being unencumbered by the Easement and available to the property owners for use without restriction of the Easement.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines, which state that this class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use, limitations, and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issued and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This action will reduce the County's exposure to potential liability through the vacation of the unnecessary easement for the nonvehicular trail. The newly constructed Santa Susana Pass Multi-Use Trail is maintained by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original and one copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of your Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

Respectfully submitted,

Hail Farlier

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Director

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Enclosures

C: Auditor-Controller (Accounting Division - Asset Management)
 Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
 County Counsel
 Executive Office
 Department of Parks and Recreation

RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION NONVEHICULAR TRAIL EASEMENT ON IVERSON ROAD (PRIVATE STREET), ET AL.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of an easement for nonvehicular trail purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easement) in, over, and across the real property legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easement, on Iverson Road (Private Street), et al., is located in the unincorporated community of Chatsworth in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
- 2. The Easement has been superseded by relocation and has been determined to be excess.
- 3. The Easement is not useful as nonmotorized transportation facility as defined in Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- 4. The Easement is hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9, of the California Streets and Highways Code, commencing with Section 8330.
- 5. The Director of the Department of Public Works is authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easement will be terminated.
- 6. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, the Easement will no longer constitute a public service easement.

The foregoing resolution was on the _____ day of ______, 2012, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI County Counsel

SACHI A. HAMAI

Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles

Deputy

Deputy

RA:mr

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EXHIBIT A

Project Name: Indian Falls and Indian Springs

-Trail Realignment

RIDING AND HIKING TRAIL

95-14VAC.1

A.I.N. 2821-020, 021, 022,

025 & 026

T.G. 499-H1 & J1

I.M. 204-097

R.D. 539

S.D. 5

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LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PARCEL NO. 95-14VAC.1 (Vacation of non-vehicular trail easement):

All those portions of streets, highways, and other public ways described as Part A, Part B, and Part C in resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles on March 23, 1999, a certified copy of which was recorded on June 29, 1999, as Document No. 99-1189364, of Official Records, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

EXCEPTING therefrom Ewana Place as shown on map of Tract No. 42353, filed in Book 1090, pages 57 through 64, inclusive, of Maps, in the office of said Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.

ALSO EXCEPTING therefrom that portion of IVERSON ROAD (now vacated), 60 feet wide, as shown on said map of Tract No. 42353 and as shown on map of Tract No. 33622, filed in Book 993, pages 66 through 75, inclusive, of said Maps, lying 30 feet on each side of the centerline of LA QUILLA DRIVE, 60 feet wide, as shown on said map of Tract No. 42353.

Containing: 9.25± acres





